

# **Questar gains OK to hike natural gas rates 20.3%**

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The Utah Public Service Commission on Friday approved a 20.3 percent increase in what Questar Gas Co. charges its customers for natural gas.

The increase represents \$196.5 million more the Salt Lake-based utility will collect in rates. It will become effective Tuesday.

The change will increase the bill for a typical residential customer using 115 decatherms of gas per year by \$18.11 per month.<

However, when combined with a 14.4 percent rate hike that went into effect June 1 and a 6.9 percent hike in October 2004, the typical Utah household's bill will rise nearly \$32 per month.